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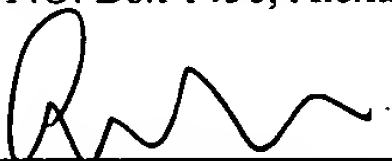
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- ☒ Notice of Appeal
- ☒ Interview Summary
- ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
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A check in the amount of \$750.00 is enclosed in payment of the Appeal fee and the extension fee. If the enclosed fee is insufficient, the balance may be charged to the account of the undersigned, Deposit Account 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
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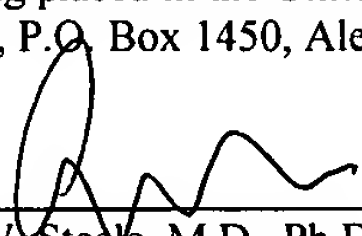
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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Sir:

Please enter the following interview summary by the Applicant.

Applicants' representative wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesy of two telephone interviews conducted on April 2, 2004, and April 7, 2004. At least the first of these interviews was made at the request of the Applicants' representative. Participants in each interview were the Applicants' representative and the Examiner. Both interviews concerned the outstanding final rejection of all claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, for alleged lack of enablement. We discussed the sufficiency of the art already made of record (specification, declaration by inventor Joel Kline, references by Hussain et al. and Magone et al.) regarding the efficacy of various CpG oligonucleotides administered in various doses by various routes of administration to treat a variety of atopic conditions, as it relates to enablement of the claims. Although the Examiner seemed impressed by the arguments advanced, agreement with respect to the claims was not clearly reached during the interviews. A subsequent Interview Summary prepared by the Examiner and faxed to the Applicants' representative on April 29, 2004, indicated that the outstanding enablement rejection was maintained.

A Notice of Appeal is filed herewith.

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